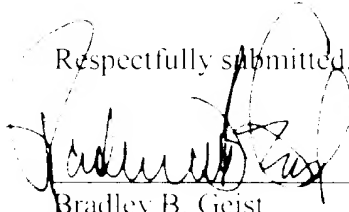


REMARKS

In response to the Official Action dated May 9, 2003, applicant believes that in view of the above amendment, the restriction requirement is now moot. However, applicant elects with traverse the invention of Group I, which, prior to the present amendment included claims 1-18, and which now is believed to include claims 1-18 and new claim 20, claim 19 having been cancelled.

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